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1. Soviet troop units with 36 T-34 tanks, 20 JS tanks and 42 rocket launchers

25X1 were entrained at Meissen on 15 and 16 April. [redacted]

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25X1 2. Camp Nohchten at the Weisswasser training grounds had been completely vacated

25X1 by Soviet troops between 16 and 18 April. Tanks and trucks, [redacted]

25X1 [redacted] had left in the direction of Cottbus

25X1 and Spremberg. The camp was occupied by 300 men of KVP Leebau.

[redacted] 3. Seven, 20 and 30 aircraft crates respectively arrived at Cottbus airfield on

25X1 15, 17 and 21 April. Seven MiG-15's were observed in the hangars on 21 April.²

[redacted] 4. Air activity by Yak-11 planes and the presence 50 VPL personnel were observed
on Dresden-Klotzsche airfield between 13 and 18 April.³

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Comments:

1. The operations observed involved units of the 9th Tank Division including the 95th Tank Regiment and the 286th RL Battalion. The units probably moved to either Koenigsbrueck or Zeithain.

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Comments:

2. A total of 77 aircraft crates, the majority of which probably contained MIG-15's, have arrived in Cottbus since 7 April.
3. It is believed that VPL pilots moved to Dresden Klotzsche from Bautzen-Litten where construction work is in progress.

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